

COUNTRY Germany (GDR) REPORT NO. 25X1

TOPIC Soviet Fuel Depots at Veltan

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT late January to 9 June 1951

DATE OBTAINED 13 September 1951 25X1

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1. [redacted] on 1 March 1951 that the Soviet Air Force fuel depot, located on the premises of the former Lange roofing-paper plant on Hafenstrasse in Veltan, supplied units stationed at Schoenwalde, Nauen, Falkensee, and Laerz. (1) During distribution periods, the depot had the same stock as the Army fuel depot, or was filled to about 80 percent of the capacity. The incoming and outgoing shipments were in equilibrium. The depot tanks were filled to capacity between the 1st and 5th day of every month and no fuel was distributed during these periods.

2. [redacted] 25X1

3. On 16 May 1951, 12 additional new tanks, larger than railroad tank cars, were being set up on the eastern edge of the air force depot area, about two thirds of each tank was buried. The number of the depot guards was apparently raised, but no motor traffic was observed.

4. [redacted]

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5. Only tow trucks [redacted] with gasoline barrels [redacted] and truck [redacted] with trailer [redacted] left the depot, guarded by tank troops, during a five hour period on 16 May 1951. Six railroad tank cars were on the railroad spur. [redacted] 25X1 25X1

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[] they had come in from Boehlen.

25X1 [] 6. On 13 May, two tank trains were on the sidings south of the Velten railroad station:

25X1 First Train. Eleven tank cars, dispatched from Frankfurt/Oder on 11 May 1951 and consigned to [] receiving station Velten. (2)

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25X1 Second Train. Fourteen tank cars, all dispatched from Velten on 13 May 1951, and destined for the following

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receiving stations and consignees: one car to Boetzow [] five 25X1 cars to Cottbus for [] five cars to Finsterwalde []

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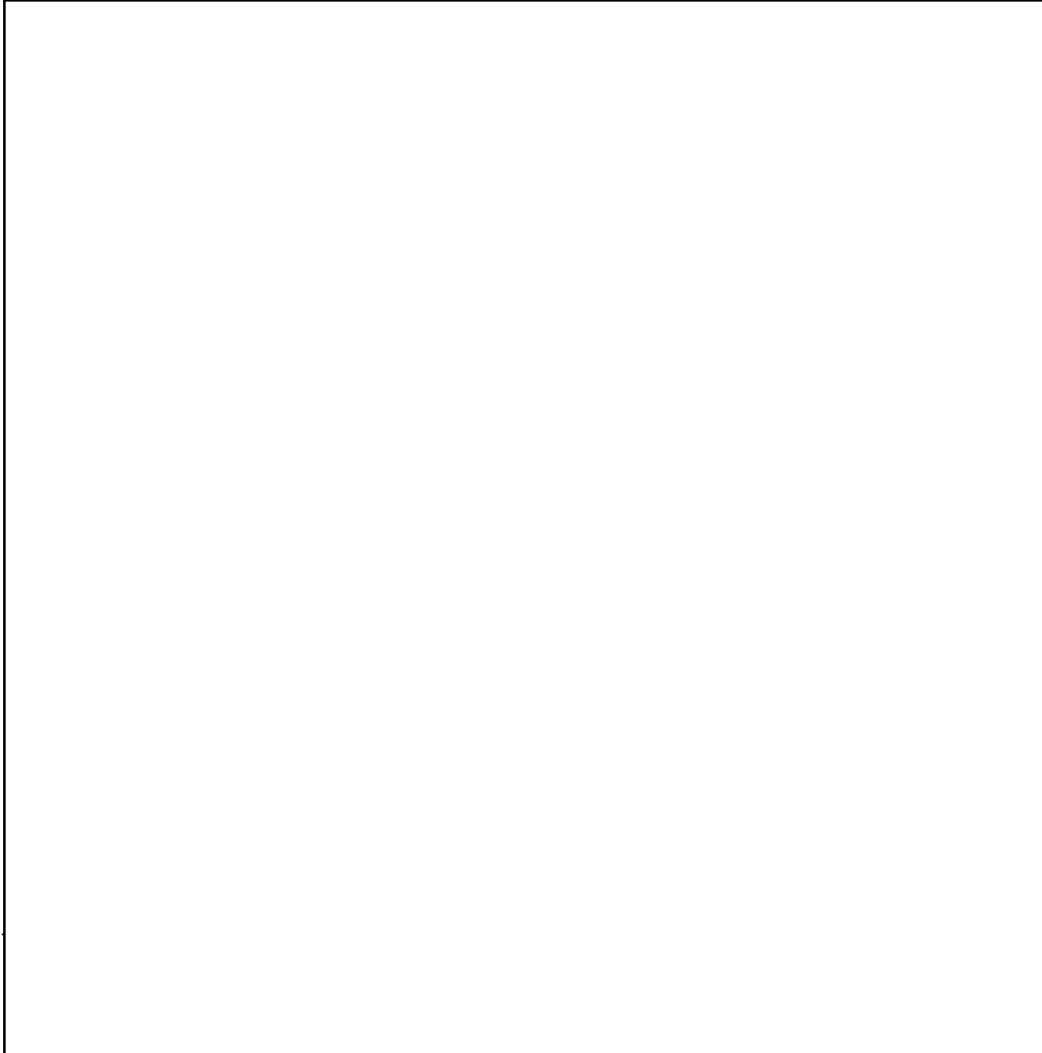
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[] one car to Berlin/Staaken [] and two cars to Juetzenbog 25X1
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9. Tank trains were on the sidings between Hohenschoeppingen and Velten during the whole period of observation. [] sometimes only some cars of arriving trains would be left in Velten, and most of the trains would be forwarded immediately in groups of three or four cars. Empty trains departing from Velten would consist of 10 to 15 tank cars and one guard's

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car. Several tank cars would also be observed on the railroad spurs serving the two fuel depots.

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10. On 2 June 1951, in the afternoon, a train of 44 tank cars was shunted into the Velten fuel depot.

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11. The following shipments of fuel arrived in Velten between 21 May and 9 June:

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| <u>Date</u> | <u>Number of Tank Cars</u> | <u>From</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| 21 May | 20 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 22 May | 20 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 25 May | 20 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 25 May | 25 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 31 May | 42 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 3 June | 39 | Frankfurt/Oder |
| 9 June | 30 | Boehlen |

12. The following shipments of fuel were dispatched from Velten between 22 May and 4 June:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Number of Tank Cars</u> | <u>Toward</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| 22 May | 40 | Wustermark |
| 24 May | 20 | Kremmen |
| 3 June | 42 | Wustermark |
| 4 June | 39 | Kremmen (6) |

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Comments.

(1) The present information confirms the location of the Main Fuel Depot of the GOMG, consisting of an air force and an army section. According to a previous report, a number of units, essentially greater than indicated by the present report, are supplied from the air force depot.

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(2) On 11 May 1951, a fuel shipment of 26 tank cars dispatched from [redacted] Brest Litovsk toward Velten

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(3) A previous report [redacted] was identified in Frankfurt/Oder. [redacted] mentioned the shipment toward Cottbus made on 13 May.

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(4)

Paragraph 1: Air Force Units

Paragraph 2: 1st Mecz Div/Second Cds Mecz Army

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9th Gds Tank Div/Second Gds Mecz Army
 31st AAA Div/Second Gds Mecz Army
 6th Arty Div/IV Arty Corps
 2d Gds AAA Div/IV Arty Corps
 10th Gds Tank Div/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 Hq Units/Second Gds Mecz Army
 Hq Units/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 Rear Services GOFG
 MGB
 SCC
 Air Force

Paragraph 4: Hq Units/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 25th Tank Div/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 Hq Units/Second Gds Mecz Army
 GOFG
 Air Force Units

Paragraph 5: 1st Mecz Div/Second Gds Mecz Army
 31st AAA Div/Second Gds Mecz Army
 6th Gds AAA Div/IV Arty Corps
 Engr Unit/GOFG/Rosslau
 25th Tank Div/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 10th Gds Tank Div/Fourth Gds Mecz Army
 Hq Units/Second Gds Mecz Army
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Paragraph 7: 31st AAA Div/Second Gds Mecz Army
 Air Force Units

(C) [REDACTED] 25X1

(6) This shipment, made on 4 June, was also identified [REDACTED] 25X1

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